

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending. Claims 1, 15 and 20 have been amended. Claims 9-14 have been cancelled.

Examiner has required restriction of the claims under 35 USC §121 as follows:

- I. Claim 9 and claims 1-8 and 15-20, drawn to a compound of formula I wherein W is N (indazoles);
- II. Claims 1-8 and 15-20, drawn to a compound of formula I wherein W is CR₂ (indoles);
- III. Claims 10-14, drawn to a method for the treatment of a CNS disorder.


Examiner has further required the election of a single disclosed species. Applicants understand that the election of a species is for search purposes only and that Examiner will not limit the claims to the elected species.

ELECTION

Applicants hereby elect, without traverse and without prejudice to their rights to file divisional applications on the non-elected subject matter, the claims of group II, claims 1-8 and 15-20, drawn to a compound of formula I wherein W is CR₂ (indolyl compounds). The foregoing amendment reflects this election. Further, with regard to the election of species, Applicants elect the species of Example 20, namely 5-fluoro-3-[(3-fluorophenyl)sulfonyl]-1-piperidinyl-3-yl-1H-indole. Applicants note that an election of species has been held tantamount to a restriction requirement. Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional application on the non-elected subject matter.

Prompt and favorable examination of the elected subject matter is cordially requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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